

## CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

**Title of publication:** VID-20161221-WA0077

**Other known title(s):** Not stated

**OFLC ref:** 2000108.051

**Medium:** Video File

**Maker:** Not stated

**Country of origin:** Not stated

**Language:** English

**Applicant:** The District Court at Auckland

<b>Classification:</b>	Objectionable.
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**Excisions:** No excisions recommended

**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 22 April 2020

**Date of direction to issue a label:** No direction to issue a label has been issued

**Date of notice of decision:** No notice of decision has been issued

	Components	Running time
<b>Timed component(s):</b>	VID-20161221-WA0077	5:35
<b>Total running time:</b>		5:35

### Summary of reasons for decision:

The video file explicitly depicts three girls engaged in sexual activity with each other, apparently under the direction of a man viewing them through a webcam. It is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children and young persons for sexual purposes. The video can only be intended for the purpose of sexually arousing those with a prurient interest in children and young persons. It presents children and young persons as sexually active and aware, and as appropriate subjects for adult sexual fantasy and desire. It has the effect of encouraging and legitimising such an interest. As a video file it can be shared widely among like-minded individuals, further exploiting the girls. The video may also be used to groom other children for sexual exploitation. This classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression as affirmed by the

New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, however it is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications that promote and support the sexual exploitation of children and young persons are deemed objectionable. The classification also reflects the concern of New Zealand society to protect its young and vulnerable members from exploitation.